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STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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1. In order to deal with the massive and current teacher shortage, RENY supports bills creating the “Underrepresented Teachers of Tomorrow Teacher Recruitment and Retention Program”

A4556 Hyndman & S342 Persaud

2. RENY supports legislation to create an elder abuse registry and to increase penalties for financial exploitation of the elderly.

- A7634 Serino & S3854 Cruz– expanding mandated reporting of elder abuse and creates an elder abuse registry.
 - A6447 Crespo & S0450 Parker - Establishes a trust fund to expand programs to fight elderly abuse crimes.
 - Reintroduce from 2017 A8160 Lupardo & S2154 Serino Creating a Senior Hotline
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3. RENY supports measures to increase residential options for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Related to this issue RENY also support to increase the minimum wages and reimbursement rates for home health care workers under Medicaid and managed care plans.

- RENY supports a dramatic increase in funding to build additional residential beds to prevent a residential housing crisis
 - RENY supports the passage of A06329 Gottfried & S05374 May to increase wages and reimbursements for home health care workers
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RENY also supports:

- expansion of civics education to all NY State students K-12.
- Increasing the base amount used for COLA calculation from \$18,000 to \$21,000